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August 31, 2004

REQUEST FOR CONTINUED EXAMINATION (RCE) TRANSMITTAL

Sir:

This is a Request for Continued Examination under 37 C.F.R. §1.114 of the above-identified application.

1. Consider the unentered amendment/reply under 37 C.F.R. § 1.116 previously filed on _____.
2. Consider the arguments in the Appeal Brief or Reply Brief previously filed on _____.
3. Enclosed is/are

Amendment (including transmittal)/Reply.
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 Other (identify):

Petition For Extension Of Time, including a check in the amount of \$420.00 for the two-month extension fee.

4. Small entity status under 37 C.F.R. § 1.27 is claimed.

A verified statement to establish small entity status is enclosed.
 A verified statement to establish small entity status was previously filed and such status is still proper and desired.

5. A check in the amount of \$770.00 is enclosed.

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6. The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge the following fees, or credit any overpayment, to Deposit Account No. 03-3125.

RCE fee required under 37 C.F.R. § 1.17(e).
 Any extension of time fee (37 C.F.R. §§ 1.136 and 1.17).
 Other fees (identify): any other required fees.

7. Three copies of this transmittal are enclosed.

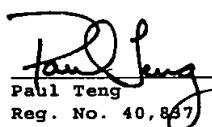
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